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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Docket No. 2006-173-E – Contract between South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G") and the United States Department of Energy (DOE)

Dear Mr. Terreni,

This is to inform the Public Service Commission that the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) has reviewed the above referenced filing and has no objection to the contract which covers electric service to the Savannah River Site (SRS) located in Aiken, Barnwell and Allendale Counties, South Carolina. The Application is a result of an agreement reached between the two parties, and the resulting five year contract with extension options no longer includes provision of steam by SCE&G to SRS.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

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